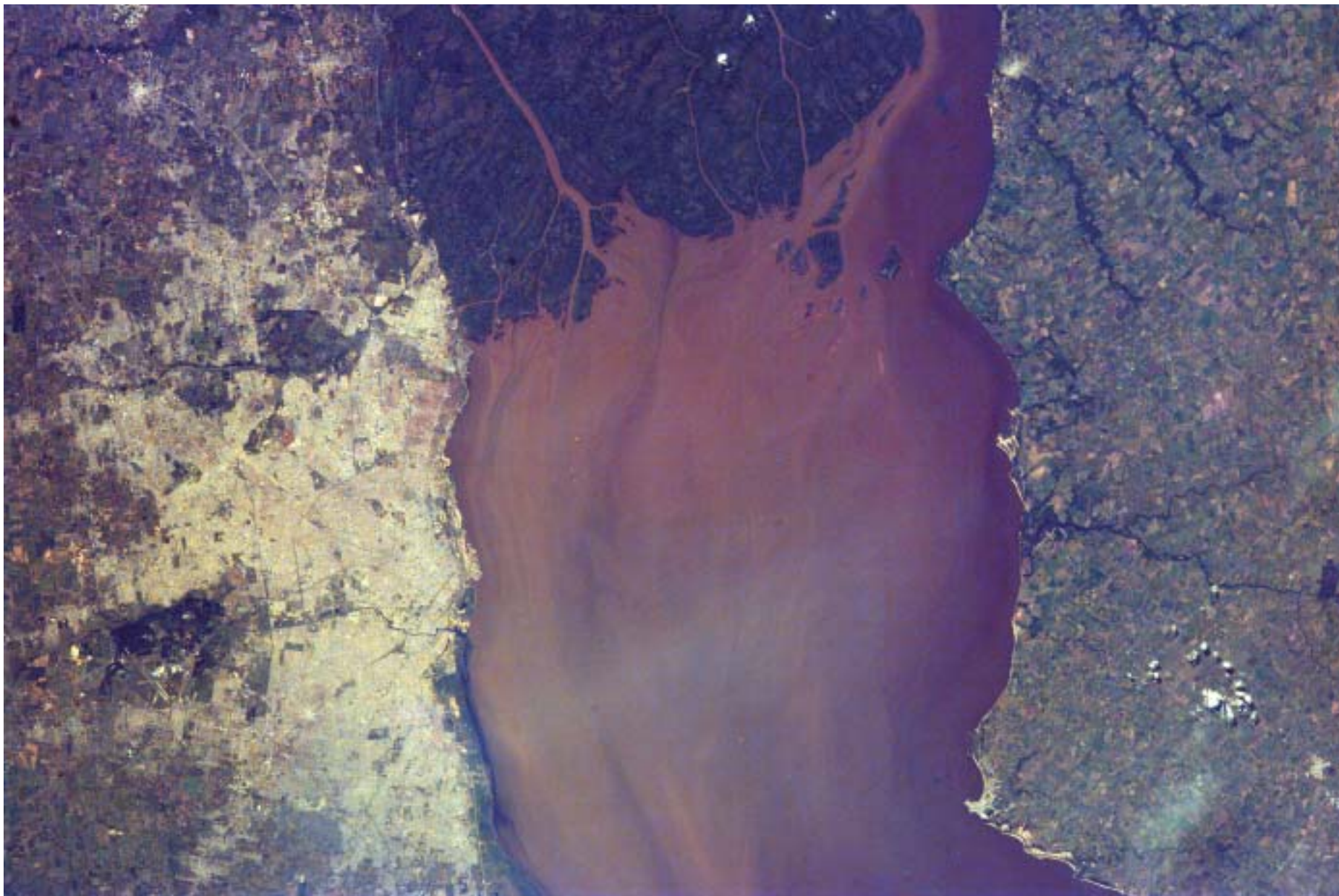




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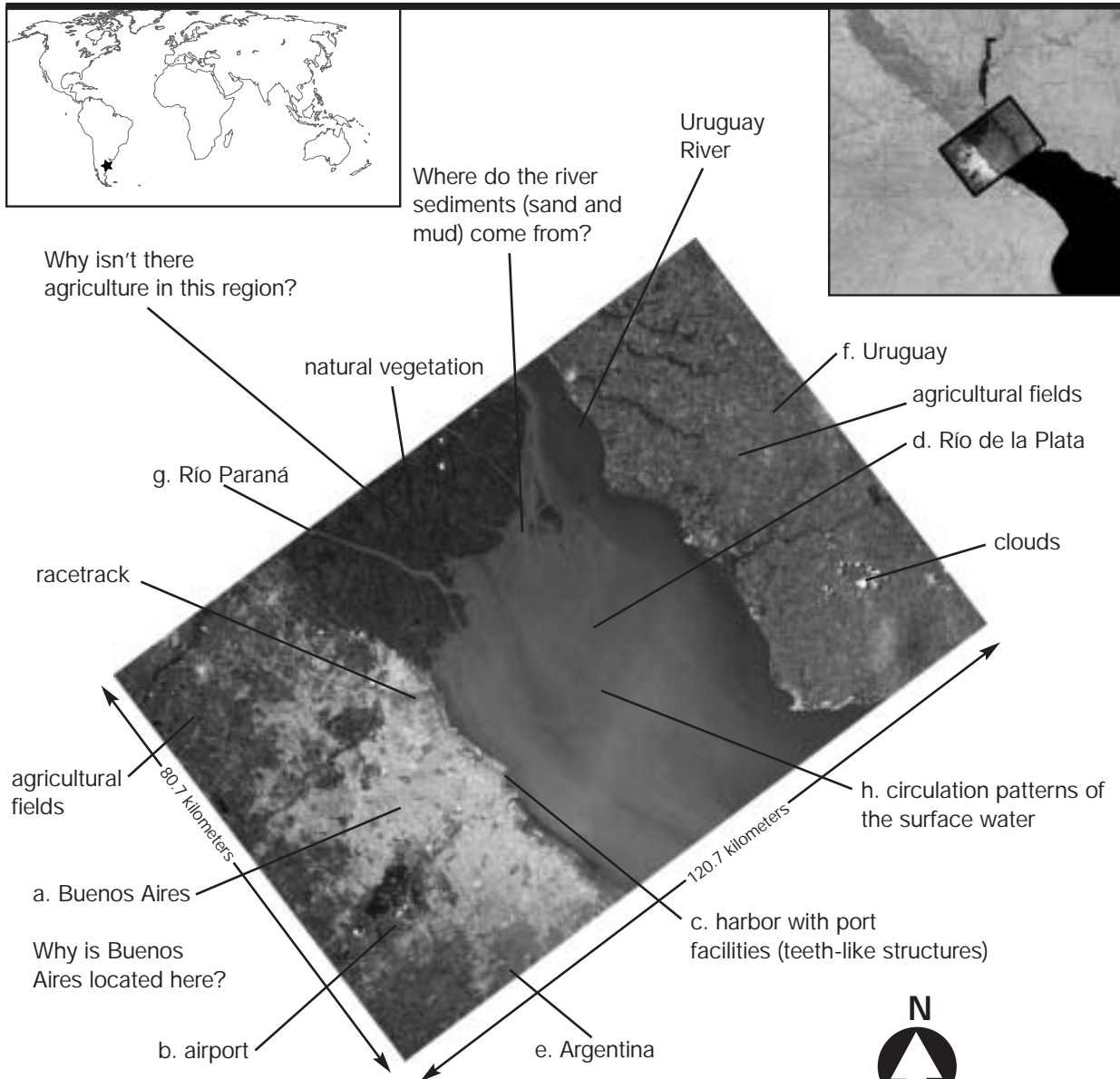
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Argentina's capital city of Buenos Aires (a) is home to about 13 million people, more than one-third of the country's population. This image provides an excellent example of an urban landscape. Recognizable features include road patterns, especially major highways into and out of the city; a large airport (b); and port facilities on the coast (c). The darker regions within the city are parks and other areas with vegetation. The rectangular patterns outside of the city suggest that the countryside is heavily farmed.

Buenos Aires was built on the coast of the Río de la Plata (d), the large, muddy estuary that forms part of the border between Argentina (e) and Uruguay (f). At the head of the estuary is the large delta of the Río Paraná (g). The muddy pattern in the water is formed by the heavy sediment load (sands and mud) carried by the Paraná and the Uruguay River. The turbidity shows the circulation pattern of the surface water in the estuary (h).

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